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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING IN OCTOBER

Town Counsel Phillip Buzzell, last night, after making a special trip from New Hampshire, told the Board of Selectmen that they had no power to do anything in the current appraisals of industrial property in Wilmington, by the Board of Assessors.

In a meeting which was a continuation of the adjourned meeting of Monday night the Selectmen heard with varying degrees of emotion Mr. Buzzell's opinion.

Selectman Lloyd Bender stated that he did not like to hear what Mr. Buzzell had said, but then, he added, he did not like many things and had to live with them, while others were more uncommittal.

In an almost unrelated action the Selectmen called for a Special Town Meeting, to be held early in October in the High School Gymnasium. The purpose is the voting of money (about \$1,000,000) for a new school, to be built in West Wilmington. The action had been asked by the Permanent Building

Committee.

The PBC had suggested the date of Sept. 28th but the Selectmen found this to be impracticable, and aware also of the possible desire on the part of the voters to ask for an article calling for the revaluation of town real estate, they decided to hold it in October to allow citizens more time to prepare warrant articles. The exact date will be known after a conference with school officials, to learn as to when the Gymnasium will be available.

Selectman John Brooks, at the beginning of the meeting moved that it be in executive session, but no other member of the board would second his motion, and Selectman Bender publicly objected to the idea.

The meeting opened with a request from Chairman LaRivee that Mr. Buzzell, the Town Counsel, define the powers of Selectmen and Town Manager, relative to Assessors.

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DID THE PLANNING BOARD FORGET?

Did the Planning Board of Wilmington forget????

Shortly after the Board of Appeals, on August 5th, filed its decision with respect to an appeal by the Municipal Light Department of Reading request to locate a sub-station, in Wilmington, near the Square, the Planning Board notified the Town Clerk that it intended to appeal the decision.

The Planning Board felt that another location than near the Square would be desirable.

According to Chapter 41, Section 21 of the General Laws, the Planning Board should have filed a bill in equity in the court in Cambridge, and a copy of the bill with the Town Clerk of Wilmington, before twenty one days.

Twenty-one days from the filing of the decision by the Board of Appeals was 4:30 pm Tuesday.

At 4:30 pm the Town Clerk closed her desk for the day.

No notice had been received from the Planning Board, nor was there anything suggesting a copy of

the bill filed with the court in Cambridge.

Did the Planning Board forget to file - or - like the farmer's proverbial mule - had it arrived at the condition where it just didn't give a darn?

ROBERT BRYANT
ON USS ENTERPRISE

Radioman third class Robert D. Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Bryant of 57 Washington Avenue, is on an around the world trip in 'Operation Sea Orbit,' with our nuclear-powered task force, as a crewmember of the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise.

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The task force will go south from Gibraltar, around the African Cape of Good Hope, eastward past the South American Cape Horn, and turn north, arriving in Norfolk, Virginia, by early October.



1000 ORCHIDS TODAY: The new Robert Hall Store, in Wilmington Plaza, which is having its formal opening today. One thousand orchids are to be given away, and there will be many other attractions for visitors. Gates open at 9:30 am.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS CANDIDATES' NIGHT SEPT 1

The League of Women Voters will conduct a Pre-Primary Candidates Night at the Legion Hall on Tuesday, September 1, at 8 pm. The program has been arranged to offer the public an opportunity to see, hear and meet the candidates from both parties for the offices of State Senator and Representative.

Candidates seeking election in the 7th Middlesex Senatorial District who will be at the meeting are Patrick B. Brien (D), Pinehurst, Walter F. Doherty (D), Woburn, James J. Long (D), Woburn, the incumbent, and Ronald C. MacKenzie of Burlington.

Those seeking the Representative's seat in the 34th Middlesex District who will be present are Charles H. Black (R), Wilmington, Fred F. Cain (D), Wilmington, Timothy J. Cosgrove (D), Burlington, Daniel L. Joyce, Jr., (D), Woburn, Ralph A. Porter (R), Woburn, Ronald J. Saloman (R), Burlington, William J. Scalley (D), Woburn, Robert A. Vigneau (D), Burlington and Albert E. Wilde (D) of Burlington.

Each candidate will speak briefly and then answer questions from the floor. Coffee and refreshments will be served following the meeting at which time candidates will

circulate, offering all an opportunity to meet them personally.

Moderators for the evening will be Mrs. Alanson Platt, Voters' Service Chairman and Mrs. Theodore C. McKie, President.

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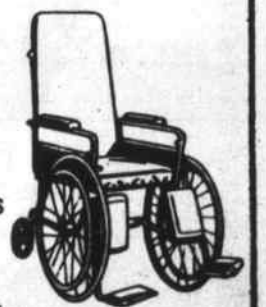
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TAX CONTROVERSY

(CONTINUED)

TM & BUZZELL'S LETTERS BEFORE THE NEW APPRAISAL

September 11, 1963

Dear Mr. Buzzell:

It has been brought to my atten-
tion by a member of the Finance
Committee that land within the town
that is actively being used for
farm purposes cannot be assessed
at full value. In other words the
contention is that an individual
could own one hundred acres of
land that is zoned industrial, and
as long as it is being used for
farm purposes, the assessment
cannot be at full market value.
As you probably know, much of
the land that is zoned industrial
in the Town of Wilmington
is assessed at \$100 per acre. Could
you please advise me.

Yours very truly,
G.R. Bouchard
Town Manager

Hemenway and Barnes
Boston, Mass.
September 13, 1963

Dear Mr. Bouchard:

This is in answer to your letter
of September 11 in regard to the
assessment of farm land. I know
of no provision of law requiring
that such land be assessed at less
than its full value. In fact such
a provision would be unworkable
and meaningless unless the statu-
te provided some alternative stan-
dard other than fair cash value
(G.L. Chap. 59, Sec. 38), since
otherwise such a suggested pro-
vision would be satisfied by an
assessment at one dollar less than
market.

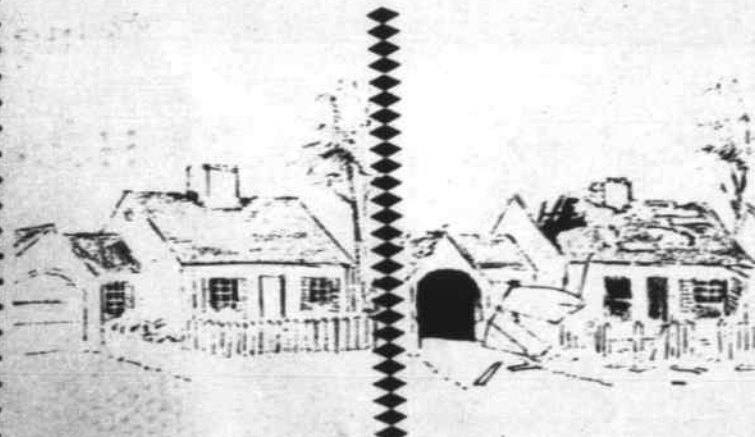
No doubt it may have been the
practice of the assessors in the
past to assess farm land on a lower
basis than land subdivided for re-
sidence or actually on the market
as an industrial site. The statute
above cited however requires all
land to be assessed at its fair
cash value, which would necessi-
tate taking into account all its
potential uses.

Yours very truly,
Philip B. Buzzell



HE WORE SNEAKERS - EIGHT AND ONE HALF INCHES LONG!
The youngster who 'pulled' the false alarm at Photon last Saturday
ran across a bed of gravel, as he headed for the railroad track in
back of the building.

Because of the recent heavy rains, his was the only tracks
visible in the gravel bed. Photo shows Lt. Robert Woods and Fireman
Charles Webster examining trail.
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MONDAY MORNING

Monday morning, in a duly ad-
vertised and constituted meeting
in the Middlesex County Bank build-
ing the Chamber of Commerce
met to hear three reports.

The meeting was open to all.
There were many guests present.

The principal business was to
hear the report of a committee
which had spent some time during
the past week with the Principal
Assessor and the Town Manager
discussing appraisals of industrial
land.

There were three reports, - a
Majority report, a Minority report
by Bob Evans, and an extra report
by Allick Epstein - all of which
are reproduced in this issue.

A resolution was introduced by
one of the members, after the

report was read - a resolution
condemning the appraisal, and other
items as well.

The Vice President and Modera-
tor, Atty Alan Altman, realizing
that there were guests present,
declared that the remainder of the
meeting was for members only.

After the guests had left another
member of the chamber proposed
an amendment that was much mild-
er in tone.

It asked the Selectmen to con-
sider a complete appraisal of the
town, and to see if they could
withhold the 1964 industrial ap-
praisal until next year.

The vote for the amended motion
was 20 to 4, and it was noteworthy
that it was the smaller business
men who were in the majority.

MONDAY EVENING

of Commerce, and then the long
debate began.

Bob asked questions. Other peo-
ple asked questions. Mr. LaRivee
said that the Selectmen couldn't do
anything until they were to get an
official opinion from the Town
Counsel.

It was all very orderly and polite
but Bob was getting nowhere.

Others cited their grievances.
Phillip Gardner had a store that
would be empty on Sept. 30th and
he had four empty offices in the
upstairs of his building - and his
taxes had been raised.

Paul Godzyk had a piece of land,
low land, off Lowell Street, that
was being assessed at the same
rate as some higher land across
the street. He offered to sell it
to anyone for 50% of the appraised
price.

Bob told how he had given 5 1/2
acres of land to the town, for the
town's reconstruction of Ballard-
vale Street.

Finally, at 11:40, one hour and
twenty minutes after the discus-
sion, Bob was able to ask a ques-
tion directly to the Principal As-
sessor, Fred Grimes.

Bob wanted to know what Mr.
Grimes thought about open prop-
erty which was assessed in in-
dustrial zones and in Residential
zones.

The Statement

Fred Grimes told Bob Evans
that he was equating Residential
Land and Property with Industrial
Land.

Bob's ears wiggled. Howard



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derful attitude of co-op-
eration and the services you
render.

Several times this year
you have been most prompt,
in emergencies, including
the last time when one of
our children required im-
mediate hospitalization.
Our gratitude is deep and
boundless.

Mr and Mrs Robert Tobias
Nichols Street

Murphy, of Ballardvale Street, who
also is being hit by the increase,
started forward.

How was that? Bob asked.
Selectman John Brooks stepped
to the counter.

For five minutes Brooks told
the meeting what his version of
what the Principal Assessor had
said, was.

No one was interested. They
wanted the Principal Assessor to
repeat his statement.

Finally Brooks shut up, and Bob
and Murphy advanced to the attack.

Half a dozen times, in half a
dozen ways, the two men asked the
same question over and over, and
as many times Grimes repeated
himself.

He was equating Industrial land
with Residential Land and Property
or he was equating Residential
Land and Property, with Industrial
Land.

After a while Bob had his answer
'That's enough,' he said, 'Thank
you!'

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MAJORITY REPORT

August 24, 1964

Findings of Committee appointed
to investigate decision of Asses-
sors to increase valuation of in-
dustrial, commercial and business
zoned land.

The full Committee met with
the Town Manager and Chief As-
sessor Tuesday, August 18. In a
discussion lasting several hours,
there was a review of the gen-
eral background leading up to the
present state of property valua-
tions in the Town. There was
also a detailed exploration of the
method and procedure used in ar-
riving at the decision to raise in-
dustrial, commercial and business
land valuations. Following the ex-
planations of these matters, the
Committee spent several addition-
al hours sifting the material, con-
sidering the facts, and conferring
relative to this report.

This report attempts to set forth
what the Committee believes to be
the Facts. It contains also some
observations which are intended to
be helpful in appraising the situa-
tion and concludes with some re-
commendations for consideration
and action by the Wilmington Cham-
ber of Commerce. Not all mem-
bers of the Committee agree that
all the facts reported are facts,
nor with all the suggestions, but
those whose signatures are affixed
are in general agreement that this
report gives as accurate a picture
as could be obtained and presented
within the limited time available.

First,

1. It is the opinion of the Town
Counsel that the law requires the
Assessors to place a valuation on
all land based on the 'highest
and best use' of each parcel. This
applies regardless of the use to
which the land may actually and
currently be put.

2. The law also requires that
property be assessed at 100% of
its actual cash value. N.B. It is
represented that as a practical
matter, few if any communities
follow this requirement to the let-
ter.

3. It is presumed to be true
that the town-wide survey and
reappraisal made by outside pro-
fessional appraisers on or about
1956 resulted in valuations that
were generally accepted as fair
and equitable.

4. It appears that successive
changes in administrations, town
officials, and appraisers since that
time have, in the absence of a
firm town assessment policy, re-
sulted in numerous inequities in

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assessments.

5. These inequities appear to be in three basic categories:

A) Between industrial and commercial valuations on the one hand and residential valuations on the other.

B) Within the industrial group as regarding building values.

C) Within the industrial group as regarding land values.

6. It is the opinion of some of the Committee that further substantial inequities and even dis-

criminations exist in valuations of unused land in both residential and industrial zones within the town.

7. There is a clear and definite need for a firm and stable town policy regarding property valuation and assessment.

8. There is an urgent requirement for as prompt as possible elimination of the inequities that exist.

9. Two courses are open for corrective action: Make a com-

plete survey of all properties and valuations and adjust assessments simultaneously, or adopt a progressive step by step approach and make adjustments when and as determined. The time required for completion by either method is estimated at approximately the same - namely, two to three years.

10. The first approach was used in 1956 or 1957 and cost about \$30,000. Repetition today is estimated at about \$50,000. It is uncertain whether a Town Meeting

would vote to authorize such an expenditure at this time.

11. The decision to follow the second, or step by step, procedure has been taken by the town officials and cannot now be stopped except by emergency legal procedures.

Second, these observations:

1. The Committee is impressed by the technical competence of the Chief Assessor in these matters.

2. The method of analysis and preparation of data leading to the conclusion to increase land valuations is judged to be logical and

intelligent.

3. In a step by step solution to such a problem as this, it is inevitable that there be disagreement as to the priority of the steps.

4. The magnitude of the problem of eliminating inequities and or keeping all assessments on a currently fair and equitable basis is apparently beyond the capacity of the existing personnel provided by the appropriations of the town meeting.

5. There can be little quarrel with the need for remedial action the question comes on the method selected.

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BOB EVANS, in two different discussions of the tax situation. Above, at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday morning, and below, in the Town Hall, Monday evening, when a group of interested citizens talked over the situation with the Selectmen.



ROBERT HALL STORE OPENS TODAY , FREE GIFTS FOR ALL

On Thursday, August 27th, Robert Hall Clothes, America's largest family clothing chain, will open a modern new store in Wilmington at the Wilmington Plaza Shopping Center on Rte. 38.

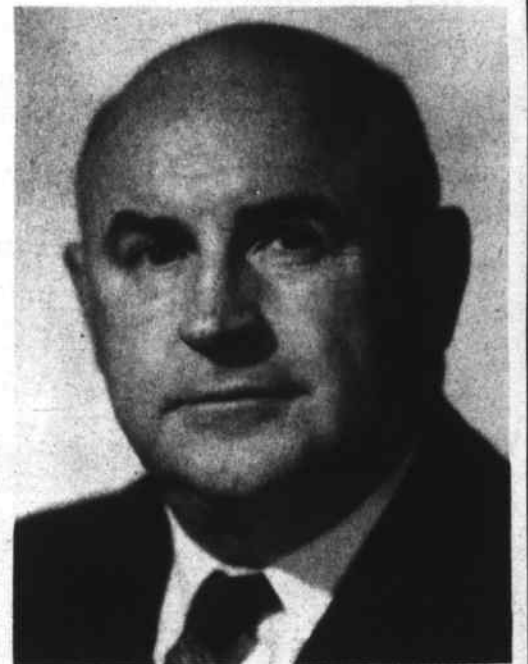
The entire Boston area will join the new store in a fabulous 3 day celebration lasting until Saturday, August 29th. Free gifts will be distributed to all who attend the Opening Day festivities at the new store and a \$50 gift certificate will be awarded every

hour on the hour from 12 noon until 9:30 p.m. closing, with no obligation and nothing to buy.

The first 1,000 women to arrive at the new store on Opening Day will receive a free double orchid corsage. Children accompanied by adults will receive balloons, pencil boxes and a colorful 40-page booklet called "The Wonderful World of Clothes", dealing with clothing customs around the world. There will be ball point pens for men, women, and teenagers.

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But he'll have thirty three ladies on his hands next Sunday!

PS: The Little League Dads will play the Major League All Stars - and they have some rubber baseball bats!



FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY FOR A WILMINGTON COUPLE: Now living in Nabnasset, was observed, last Sunday at the Nabnasset Country Club.

Mr and Mrs J Ellis Doucette were married August 25, 1914 at St. Agnes Church in Reading. Both are natives of Wilmington and attended Wilmington Schools, and lived here until his retirement from the North RWAD

ment from the North Reading State Sanitorium a few years ago.

Left to right: John Doucette, Mr and Mrs J Ellis Doucette, and Mrs Margerite Robison of Orem, Utah.



FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY: Observed last Sunday, in the Methodist Church, was the fiftieth anniversary of the Rev. and Mrs Herbert Coontz, of Glen Road.

The couple were married in Findlay Ohio on August 25, 1914, and were of families which were associated for years. The couple were school class mates, and Sunday School class mates as well.

In the picture, beside the Rev. and Mrs Coontz are daughter Donna, son in law Robert May, and grandchildren Robert, Cynthia, Patricia and Thomas.

Over 100 guests, including the Rev. Richard Harding of Amherst were present.

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Conclusions

Broadly speaking, there are three courses of action open to the Chamber of Commerce. (It is assumed there is no case for taking no action.)

1. Initiate legal action to prevent the issuance of tax bills at the new valuations.

2. Protest the action of the Assessors and leave each taxpayer to protect his interests through the usual channels of appeal.

3. Yield to the decision and act cooperatively to ensure that subsequent additional corrective

action is taken.

It is the view of a majority of the Committee that adopting the third course appears to lead to the most practical development of a solution and to be the most constructive step to take at this time. It also places a challenge before this organization to be of real service to the Town in making a positive contribution to its prosperity, stability and harmony.

The first course would (a) bring adverse publicity to the Town; (b) cause argument and division among those responsible for solving the problem; and (c) delay the necessary constructive action.

Accordingly, this Committee recommends:

That the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington, as a body, go on record publicly as (1) favoring the principle of correcting inequities in assessments; (2) favoring, if necessary, expanding the capacity of the Assessors to deal with these matters; and (3) desiring a continuing effort to eliminate all inequities in assessments as soon as practical. To implement point #3, the Chamber of Commerce should appoint a Committee of interested members, to be known as the Tax Policy Committee. The purpose of said Committee to be:

(a) To keep informed regarding progress of revisions of valuations and assessments.

(b) To lend to town officials such assistance as may be requested or acceptable.

(c) To report progress toward the eventual leveling of inequities.

(d) To help develop a sound assessment policy for the Town. That the Chamber of Commerce recommend that those who may feel subjected to hardship because of increased taxes use the appeal procedure provided for their relief through abatement.

That this report be given in full to the Assessors, the Town Manager, the Board of Selectment and anyone else interested in this matter.

A minority report attached hereto represents the views of the dissenting minority.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Altman
Allick Epstein
Don S. Greer
Robert Sumberg
Richard Tufenkjian

MINORITY REPORT

It seems to be my duty to present the views of the dissenting minority of the committee appointed to investigate the decision of assessors to increase valuation of industrial and commercially zoned land.

I am listing the following sources of information upon which I have based my report.

1. August 18 meeting with the Town Manager and Chief Assessor.
2. Meeting August 17 with Chief Assessor.

3. Other meetings with Town Manager and Chief Assessors.

4. Assessors records.

5. Various other sources.

While I agree with some of the majority report, I find myself unable to agree with most of the observations and conclusions of the majority report. Rather than list all of the points where we disagree, I would like to briefly list four of the more important points where we agree.

1. I agree with Point #3 on Page 2 of the Majority Report.

'It is presumed to be true that the town wide survey and reappraisals made by outside professional appraisers on or about 1956 resulted in valuations that were generally accepted as fair and equitable.'

2. In addition, I join with the Town Manager, the Chief Assessor and my colleagues in agreeing that real estate values have changed since 1956.

3. Also, this is a matter in which the Chamber of Commerce has every right in which to be interested (Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, Inc. By Laws, Feb. 1951 Article II).

4. I should like to make it very clear that I am not in disagreement with the decision of the assessors to value property at current fair cash values which is of course the legal basis for determining values for taxation purposes under the laws of the Commonwealth.

Having established the four points of agreement, I would now like to point out where we disagree.

I am not in agreement with any policy that does not apply so-called fair cash values to all properties at the same time so that the tax levy on all parcels is computed on these values during the same fiscal year.

I was requested by the chairman of our Committee to examine records of the assessors, subject to the approval of the Town Manager with respect to such examination in order to determine whether or not 1964 valuations for all land in the town were based on the same determinations as those which allegedly support the reported values placed on industrial, commercial and business zoned land.

It was recognized that any such review would be within the time available and would have to be strictly on a sampling basis.

My examination was limited to a half day so as not to put an undue burden on the staff of the assessing department. I am convinced as a result of this examination of the assessor's records which resulted in a sampling of over 500 acres that 1964 estimated valuations which reportedly have been applied to industrial, commercial and business zoned land have not been applied to land otherwise zoned under our protective by-law.

I am not an attorney, but if I understand correctly the so-called 'Springfield Decision' the courts have interpreted pertinent statutes relating to valuation for assessment purposes to require that assessors apply the same criteria to all classes of property.

Until I can be satisfied that this principle has been applied to all properties in the town, I am unable to join in any endorsement of the announced policy for determining taxable values on industrial, commercial and business zoned land.

In view of the general agreement on the two points:

1. That the revaluation of 1956 was fair and equitable.
2. That values have changed.

I raise five vital questions:

1. Why only 1/5 of the area of the town should be revalued?
2. How many years will it take to revalue the town if less than 1/5 of the town gets revalued this year?

3. If values have got this much out of whack in seven years, will today's selective revaluation of 1/5 of the town be accurate by the time the town gets fully revalued?

4. If things have changed as much as they claim, why have now our Chief Assessor and Town Manager requested total revaluation?

5. Should the Chamber condone assessing practices which will discriminate against one class of property in the hope that inequities so created will be corrected at some future date?

After answering these five questions, I feel there is only one conclusion - this assessing policy is deliberate discrimination.

I think it is the duty of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce to identify and criticize discrimination whenever and wherever they find it. I therefore recommend that the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce condemn this arbitrary, unreasonable and discriminatory assessing policy of the Wilmington assessors.

Respectfully submitted,
John Robert Evans

ALLICK EPSTEIN'S OPINION

I would like to take this time to state that the report issued by the committee represents many hours of work and deliberation. I believe everything in the report is for the best interest of Wilmington and would result in correcting many inequities that appear to exist.

However, I wish to differ with the report in two areas. One is the step by step correction which is suggested and which I feel that reevaluation of only the industrial and business land at this time is unfair and will cause a great deal of hardship on many people. I also feel it will slow down future growth in Wilmington as it puts the town image in a very unfavorable light with people in industry and business who may be considering coming here.

The other area is that in our present problem, I believe the Chamber should indicate to our elected and appointed officials in the strongest language possible, that if the above action can be stopped, and it is the opinion of many that this is possible, it should try to alter the manner of its evaluation until a more even distribution of the increase can be worked out. Failure to take action will result in irreparable harm to the entire town and its taxpayers.

Allick Epstein

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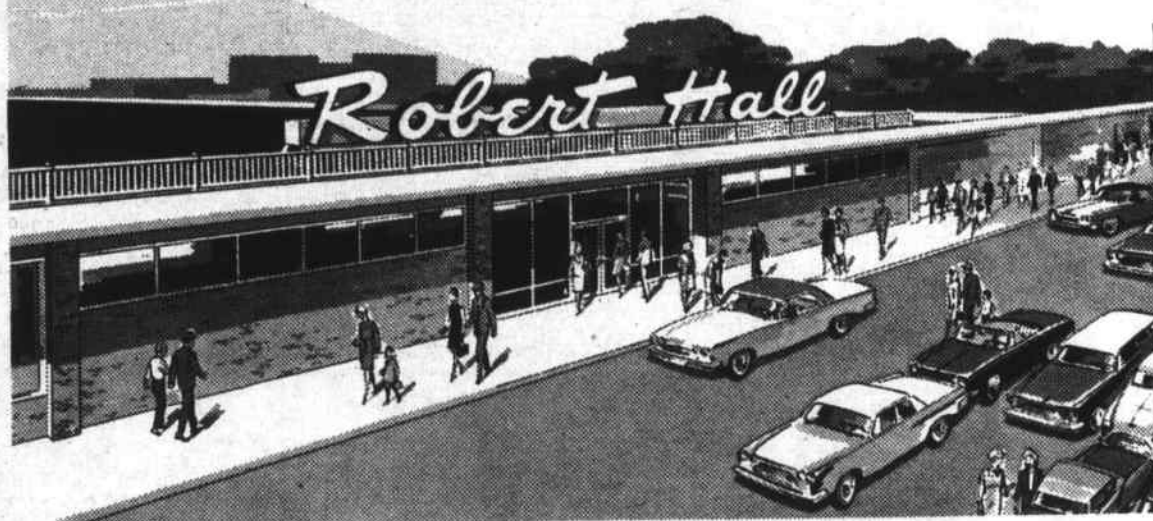
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General Government Rate	\$14.46	\$16.58
Total Value	\$59,419,025	\$67,669,475
Real Estate Total	\$57,719,250	\$65,176,050
Land	\$6,279,150	\$10,310,525
Improvements	\$51,440,100	\$54,865,525
Personal Property	\$1,699,775	\$2,493,425
Total Appropriation to be Raised by Taxation	\$2,764,290.74	\$3,081,389.74
Tax Title Foreclosure		\$432.00
Court Judgements		\$6,166.52
Overdrafts	\$32,251.98	\$27,887.06
Pensions and Service Funds	\$37,321.88	\$40,475.73
Deficits	\$304.40	\$604.49
State Tax and Assessments	\$44,669.21	\$51,570.78
County Tax and Assessments	\$30,544.23	\$24,808.61
Overlay	\$111,893.14	\$125,081.08
Gross Amount to be Raised	\$3,091,654.22	\$3,556,230.28
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$826,399.27	\$984,790.23
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on Property and Polls	\$2,265,254.95	\$2,571,440.05
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BURLINGTON'S SENATE CANDIDATE REVEALS SOME COLORFUL RELATIVES



RON MacKENZIE, Burlington State Senate Hopeful and his daughter Jody, "dress up" for relatives gathering at Fairbanks Homestead in Dedham. A restoration project is in store for the "oldest frame house in America" following an unfortunate accident.

After over 300 years of withstanding the elements, the historic Fairbanks House in Dedham is not about to be destroyed

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Although considerable damage was done, the house is reparable, although there will be difficulty in getting items to match the original materials. Plans are already under way, however, to restore the historic house, which is the oldest frame house in the United States.

Taking an active role in planning for the repair of the dwelling is Ronald C. MacKenzie of Burlington, first Vice-President of the Fairbanks family and candidate for State Senator from the 7th Middlesex District.

The family organization, composed of descendants of Jonathan Fairbanks, who built the house in 1636, has charge of the upkeep of the landmark. Each year members of the family group meet in August to discuss plans for maintenance and improvements on the home.

After surveying the damage, Mr. MacKenzie said, "This house has withstood everything from windstorms to Indian attacks. It can survive automobiles, too. From this moment on, we'll be rolling up our sleeves to put the house back in shape. We owe it to the people of Massachusetts to preserve one of the truly fine homes that dramatically symbolizes our state's history".

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SELECTMEN (Cont. from Front Page)

Buzzell: The powers of the Assessors are defined by statute. They are appointed in a different manner in Wilmington, by the Town Manager, but once appointed their powers and privileges are the same. The Town Meeting, the Selectmen, and the Town Manager have no authority over their decisions -- cannot tell them what to do. They are public officials sworn to their duty.

Bender: Can the Town Manager or anyone else direct?

Buzzell: All he can do is to remove them from office and appoint someone else.

Bender: Does this require cause?

Buzzell: No cause, unless the assessors are under civil service. There is a tenure notice.

Selectman Black: There is nothing that says we cannot recommend to the Town Manager or the Assessors that certain action be taken?

Buzzell: Certainly. (meaning, that is so, ed).

Bender related that he had been visiting the state house office of taxation Wednesday, and had been told that if the state finds there is a deficiency in the assessors' functions it can refer the matter to the board of selectmen.

Buzzell: The state Commission on Taxation has certain supervisory powers over a board of assessors.

Bender: If there is a failure to perform it is then brought to the attention of the selectmen.

Buzzell: If they made special recommendations.

Brooks: Wouldn't it be necessary to establish a violation to have the department step in?

Buzzell: There are certain requirements as to records - if it finds that the assessors are not keeping up to requirements it can call on the selectmen to take remedial actions.

LaRivee: Does the Board of Selectmen have any powers over the assessors?

Buzzell: None whatsoever.

LaRivee: Can they hold back the mailing of the tax bills?

Buzzell: Assessors don't mail tax bills - the Collector does.

LaRivee: Can the tax collector?

Buzzell: No.

LaRivee: If the town manager thinks - if he refuses to reprimand?

Buzzell: There wouldn't be a legitimate basis for a reprimand.

LaRivee: In the instance - in the event of the alleged inconsistencies of valuations by the assessors?

Buzzell: It is not the Selectmen. They take no action. It is up to the individual tax payers to act.

Brooks: When the assessors are conducting a constant and repetitious check on properties - I ask about the charges - is this an accustomed practice?

Buzzell: For all practical purposes it is the way. It is a physical impossibility to make a complete revaluation of all property every year.

Brooks: The fact that they accomplish only a small percentage in a year - does this constitute a basis for action by a group of citizens?

Buzzell: No. Individuals can act only with respect to their own property.

Brooks: Could this be seized upon for collective preventative action?

Buzzell: No (He then went on to explain that in the so-called Springfield Case the assessors had admitted and stated that they were applying percentages to different types of property. -- 'The assessors admitted this for the record, and the Superior Court said it was illegal to do this for different classes of property.

Bender: Do the assessors have to visit the property physically, or can they decide by a map?

Buzzell: Up to the local assessors. Do the best they can using all information available.

Bender: (To Fred Grimes, Principal Assessor) Did you visit, or did you use a map?

Grimes: Both - let me say the Board of Assessors.

Brooks: In their reasonable pursuit of their duties, in their review of the valuation of properties, if they find one class of property as the most fertile field for correction and it appears that they are thus

seeking out one type - does this provide ground for action - as for instance in the Springfield case.

Buzzell: No. Not until the assessors go on record of using admitted discrimination.

The assessors do their work piece meal, and if they discover that a certain type of property is undervalued, the fact that they tackle that job in a certain year is not a discrimination.

Buzzell went on to explain the situation a few years ago in Boston, where there were residential properties, in South Boston, that were greatly undervalued, and at the same time industrial and business properties were greatly overvalued. 'That was a political situation - voters in the residential areas, but down town there were very few votes.

Mrs Wavie Drew: No group of people could go to court about this?

Buzzell: No group. The complainants in the Springfield case were individual complainants.

Brooks: I am bothered by many individual cases - where individuals have their residences in industrial areas - they were in rural or other, and without their assent, and in some cases against their assent they changed the zoning. It is an added burden to their property, for people who are simply desirous of living out their days as they had wanted - any relief - any provisions - even a temporary relief?

Buzzell: Nothing I know of.

Grimes: In certain cases of hardship - he went on to explain a case involving a person with tuberculosis.

Brooks: Persons with advanced years - no great income. Land rezoned but no ready purchaser - no backlog of cash - living on a pension - how does a person like this face a problem?

Buzzell: Tough on the individual.

LaRivee: No recourse?

Buzzell: I know of no statute.

Bender: The assessors met on July 31st, by their minutes, and made a motion to revalue this year.

Can the Board of Assessors reverse their vote by submitting a new recap before submitting their lists to the tax collector?

Buzzell: The tax rate is already approved.

Bender: Cannot be done now. I also note that outside appraisers offered to revalue land for \$5000. This was a couple of years ago. In an area of policy, could this be voted at a special town meeting?

Buzzell: The town would have to appropriate money.

Bender: Could this be at a September town meeting?

Buzzell: It wouldn't affect this year's levy - except what information the assessors might use for cases of abatement.

Bender: May the Selectmen, or the Town Manager, talk with the assessors on assessing matters, as a policy question?

Buzzell: The board does not have the right - either before or after.

Bender: By implication - do the selectmen have jurisdiction - directional control - via the Town Manager, or by the Town Manager.

Buzzell: No.

Black: If there was an action by 10 citizens - what would happen - how long would it take?

Buzzell: The Springfield case - part of the ordinary delay was omitted in that case because the assessors stated and admitted the percentages - in any ordinary case attempted it would probably be two or three years.

Mrs Drew: I understand that they are going to try to get an injunction to stop the tax bills.

Buzzell: They wouldn't get to first base.

The taxpayers do not have to pay their taxes before they appeal to the local assessors for an abatement, but they must before they appear before the appellate court (Robert Evans, who was a spectator, was invited at this time to say a word or ask a question if he chose - he declined.)

Bender: (To the TM) On April 13th you again referred to the inequities that existed - I understand you stated to the Chamber of Commerce that you would stand responsible -

Bouchard: I don't recall any such conversation.

I don't recall creating the impression or using those words. The discussion turned towards a possible re-appraisal of pro-

perties.

Buzzell: Presume the only thing to do - call a special town meeting if you appropriate after the tax rate is set it would come out of next year's sheet.

Such an appraisal wouldn't be completed until next year anyway.

Bender to Grimes: I believe you mentioned an approximate cost?

Grimes - my recollection - at least \$50,000.

I should gather from information we have - dwellings have increased something like 200 a year - some 1800 or 2000 parcels more (than in 1956, ed) - guessing again - 7,000 to 8,000 parcels. I would say that the price would be conservative.

Unit prices have increased.

Buzzell: We had an action to defend - by a mapping company, claimed that they had been deceived and were asking for a substantial amount - knowing the town as I do I wouldn't have done the job for \$100,000.

Bender: That's starting from nowhere - we start from somewhere - we did acquire aerial maps and town maps. You have in your files a figure of an offer two years ago for \$5000 for land appraisal.

Grimes: Two years ago - its different now.

I still stand by my \$50,000 figure.

Bouchard: Primary assumption and conclusion is: Is this necessary. Very important. If our assessing practices have been such in the past eight years - those municipalities which have a re-appraisal every ten years are very fortunate.

Bender: Is what we have now the only solution - or the best solution?

Bouchard: Let me point out that it seems to me the Principal Assessor can decide and handle for himself, and if it isn't so - can assume he felt he couldn't do it. I also assume that if the records were in a mess that he would come to me and say that a complete appraisal was necessary.

(Bender and Grimes engaged in a conversation as to the total amount of revaluation done since 1955.)

Bender then mentioned some cases where business was being conducted in residential zones, with either Board of Appeals approval, or businesses that had been in existence for years.

He wanted to know if Grimes had investigated these cases. The assessor was not able to say that he did.

Bender: The answer is obviously No.

Brooks: Did you deliberately refrain from assessing these properties?

Grimes: Not to my knowledge - on a basis of locations and relative values.

Bender: I fully believe, 100%, in the capabilities of Fred Grimes. The conversation turned to a discussion of individual cases.

Mrs Drew, at the conclusion of this phase, said she knew of a man who had his assessment go from \$16,000 to \$69,500.

LaRivee: I think it is agreed that if there was any manner in which this board would help they would. There are hardships. We cannot label this board as unfeeling. It is clear cut - but it would be foolish to embark on a course and not be able to fulfill --

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Mrs Drew: This is going to have far reaching effects. The Town Manager form of government might be voted out next year.

Brooks: I challenge that.

Bender: For your intelligence - there is a movement afoot, John.

Brooks: It never died!

Bender: There have been two fights already, and in my judgement in times of better administrators.

There seems to be little or no consultation with this board. There seems to be widening disaffection. There seems to be less co-ordination.

Part of the solution, in my mind, is a recognition of the problem.

LaRivee: You may remember Mr Bender that in the latter part of May I wanted a policy meeting.

We felt that it would require a full board meeting - you had your accident and we had vacations -

I myself would be only too happy to sit down and set policy.

Brooks: We didn't come here to

discuss Town Manager government. What is the alternative - I think the Principal Assessor said we would have had a \$5 or \$6 increase in the tax rate.

If everything that has been said is true there has been some underwriting of business properties. Persons who own small homes -- \$75 or \$100 more on the tax bill -- for the privilege of living in the house he owns. He should not be called upon to underwrite these expenses of industry, -- on which they are making a profit!

There are 7 to 8,000 little people who cannot speak for themselves - do not have the resources -- the legal talents to search for loopholes.

On the evidence that has been given to this board there are loop holes that have existed for years.

This evidence we must consider when we think of people being hurt -- and when profits are being made from industry and commerce.

I don't think I have a single enemy on the part of those whose taxes are being raised.

Bender: I wish I had the same assurance that this is for the benefit of all.

Is there any relief for home owners in the raising of commercial rates?

I don't agree with this solution! I for one am not about to see this ship sink because of disagreement about the captain pointing towards the rocks to be thrown by the anti-town manager people.

LaRivee changed the subject, and in the discussion that followed Buzzell stated that it was his own personal opinion that the town would waste money on outside appraisers.

'I feel local experts are better than self-styled experts you call in.

I don't think you got your value in 1956.

In other towns, where they assessors don't like to have to raise the taxes it is seized upon as a way of getting the onus of the burden off the shoulders of local men.

I think local assessors can do the job better, and at least expense to the town.

Bender: Piecemeal?

Buzzell: Sure!

Brooks: Bender says he would be happy if all inequities were eliminated - so would I. I am satisfied that steps are being taken to remove inequities.

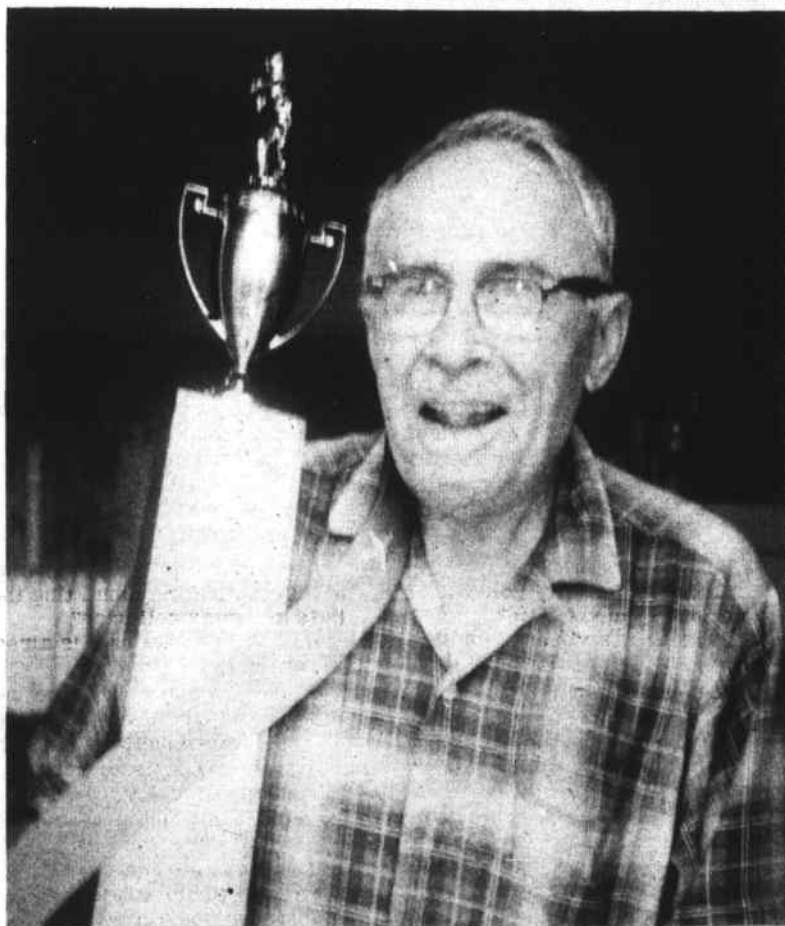
Mrs Drew: When do we get to the point where the tax rate goes down?

Buzzell: That is a good question.

Bender: We can express our gratitude to the commercial and industrial interests for a \$5.30 savings per thousand. The town seems to have missed a lot of money in these past few years. You can call yourselves content. I for one am not.



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(The following questionnaire was sent to all candidates for state office in the Commonwealth by the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts.)

The information presented here has been given to the LVW of Wilmington and presented as a public service by the Town Crier.

There are four senatorial candidates running for the 7th Middlesex District, and nine representative candidates for the newly redistricted 34th Middlesex District)

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED

1. The following proposed amendments to the constitution have been passed by the 1963-64 session of the General Court. What is your position on these proposals in the 1964-65 General Court?

- (a) Proposal for the joint election of Governor and Lt. Governor.
- (b) A proposal providing for the re-organization plan procedure for the Executive Department.
- (c) A proposal for home rule.
- (d) A proposal providing for the industrial development of cities and towns.

Are there additional changes to the constitution of Mass. that you feel should be considered? Please list.

2. In practically every field of state service greater demands are being made by the citizens of Mass. Both the executive and legislative leaders have voiced concern about the fiscal situation in the Commonwealth. What solution do you propose for this problem?

3. As a legislator, on what specific issue and problem affecting your area would you concentrate your efforts?

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF SENATOR IN THE 7th MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

PATRICK B BRIEN

3 Forest Street, Pinehurst.
Occupation, Interior Decorator
Party: Democrat.

1. It is the considered policy of this candidate that the Governor and the Lt. Governor should be a joint election. This would create great harmony and efficiency in the Executive Branch.

(b) I do not believe the need for a change on the executive department is as great as a change in the Judicial Department. I feel that the members of the Judiciary should be elected on a 10 year basis so that they cannot ignore the will of the people, or the progress of the times.

(c) More home rule is essential to the local government if democracy as we know it is to continue for the benefit of our children.

(d) Industry is vital to the continuance of this state as a prosperous one. To attract industry we must have excellent facilities and also a fair and progressive

tax structure. I do not feel that we should tamper with a constitution that has stood the test of time and tempest.

2. The only real solution is either a state run lottery -- the proceeds to be applied towards school development, of a limited sales tax to be rigidly earmarked for school use only.

3. To a study and a change of the present tax system and to the problem of unemployment. To solve unemployment in this state we must take measure to provide our younger citizens with skills so that they may compete in the labor market.

WALTER F. DOHERTY

66 Salem St., Woburn
Occupation, Commercial Agent
New Haven Railroad
Party: Democrat.

1 (a) This is not too important due to the limitation of the power of the Lt. Governor. However, I would support.

(b) This would be in the interest of the majority of the tax payers of the Commonwealth of Mass.

(c & d) I would support.

2 I believed that the present legislative leaders, generally speaking, were not very concerned about the above, i.e. the excessive spending spree, raises preferential or otherwise in direct opposition to the mandate of the voters of this district. I am not in favor of a sales tax, nor do I feel that this state should be dependent upon a lottery to balance spending obligations placed upon the tax payer. I favor a more economic approach to four fiscal problems, as I believe the more money that our legislative leaders have the more they will spend.

3. I feel that the millions of dollars of tax payers money that will be appropriated over the next few years in addition to the 225 million now appropriated for the solution of the transportation problem will be of great importance to this district. What will the 7th Middlesex District receive from this expenditure except another tax bite?

I will, due to my experience in transportation, ask for and demand our district receive full dollar value for every dollar spent. This is a subject that would take much more than 150 words to cover. I intend to cover this subject fully during the remainder of this campaign.

RONALD C. MACKENZIE

5 Beaverbrook Rd., Burlington
Occupation, Insurance Agent
Party: Republican.

1 (a) Absolutely for proposal.
(b) Should gain more efficient operation and eliminate duplication
(c) I believe local governments can best decide many issues.

(d) If local areas want concessions made they should be considered.

Considered changes:

1. Coterminus terms for Executive Department heads.
2. Taxes from gasoline should not have to do only for Highway Fund.

2. Massachusetts property tax payers pay about 300 million dollars more than the national average. We need an overhaul to reform the entire tax structure.

(b) The price tag of every bill introduced into the legislature should be estimated in writing.

(c) Waste and extravagance should be constantly stamped out.

(d) Bills that pass higher costs onto cities and towns should not be passed unless the state can find the money to pay for the benefits they bestow.

(e) A healthy industrial climate will attract and hold more firms creating jobs, higher living standards, and greater tax base and thereby greater revenue to support the common good.

3. I believe that property taxes have reached an alarming height. We cannot continue to pass legislation at the state level that raises property taxes in the towns. We cannot expect homeowners young and old to continue to pay the greater proportion of taxes than any of the other states. Property taxes also effect the location of industry and therefore the jobs for the people in my district whether renters or owners.

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE IN 34th MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

TIMOTHY J. COSGROVE

56 Beaverbrook Rd., Burlington
Occupation, Tax Accountant
Party: Democrat.

1. Agreeable to proposal.

(b) Reorganization program intent on consolidating duplicating efforts could be helpful, but with the possibility of four years, two term Governorship, this may create a monster with a Legislature subject to the wishes of a Governor. Check and study this further.

(c) Home rule is the basic method of town and city survival, but in caution the General Court, called the Legislature, is the peoples court of free petition. By constitutional change we restrict our free right and possibly create another unacceptable program.

(d) House bill 215 is so confusing to the legal minds of the Legislature, this candidate prefers not to pass judgement until further exploratory study.

2. The fiscal solution should be studied by nonpolitical financiers. Halt all unnecessary appropriations and expenditures until a complete unbiased report is approved.

3. Revisions of tax structure. Advance education programs. Study and correct recent transportation legislation.

DANIEL L. JOYCE JR.

10 Revere Rd., Woburn
Occupation, Attorney
Party: Democrat.

1. I am in favor of this proposal as it is the most logical and efficient organizational plan.

(b) I am opposed to this proposal, because coupled with the above it would place excessive power in one branch of government without a workable check.

(c) This is a basic principal of our Commonwealth and has to be maintained.

(d) This would be an asset to the 34th Middlesex District.

2. There is currently a committee that is studying this problem, this report will be returned to the Governor sometime around December 1964. This is a very able group and their report will have to be studied with some care and positive action should be taken based on this report. At the present I do not advocate any tax bills.

3. Although the 34th Middlesex District is faced with many problems, one of major concern to me is that of transportation, both public transportation and road facilities.

RALPH A. PORTER JR.

161 Bedford Rd., Woburn
Occupation, Service station manager
Party: Republican.

1. In favor.

(b) Reorganization of the executive department should be in order at this time, but before it is presented to the General Court it should be completely looked into as to the effect it will have on the rest of the state departments.

(c) Home rule is a must if the city and towns are to retain their present types of government (town meeting or city council).

(d) Here again Home Rule comes up -- a city or town should have its own say as to whether or not they wish to be industrial or residential or both. The state government could help a city or town in either case by planning, drainage, sewerage or road development.

RONALD J. SALOMAN

9 Highland Way, Burlington
Occupation, Attorney
Party: Republican.

1. I strongly support joint election of Governor and Lieutenant Governor; reorganization of executive department and home rule amendments. I would study further the industrial development amendment and then decide. Lowering the voting age to 18 and elimination of the Governor's Council merit serious consideration.

2. Acknowledge our state's financial plight and support a comprehensive professional study of the entire tax structure. All possible new revenue sources including graduated income, sales and sweepstakes taxes must be fully considered. Waste and tax gimmicks must be stopped and economy practiced on all levels.

3. Renewing public trust and confidence in our State Legislature and Government is our most pressing problem locally and state wide. Elimination of conflicts of interest at all levels of government, implementation and uniform enforcement of present conflict of interest statutes is imperative. Tax relief for our cities and towns allowing for a reduction of our excessive real estate tax burden also requires immediate attention.

WILLIAM J. SCALLEY

77 Willow St., Woburn
Occupation, Real Estate Broker
Party: Democrat.

1. In favor.

(b) In favor of any beneficial reorganization plan. However some constitutional amendments should be voted on by the people.

(c) Wholeheartedly in favor of any legislation that increases home rule.

(d) In favor of any proposal for improvements of industrial development of the state, but with recommendations of experts assigned by the state to this field.

2. I am aware of the fiscal condition of the state and am concerned with it. Additional tax-

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ation must be located. I am for broadening the tax base to increase existing tax sources.

3. Sewerage, transportation and tax relief for the home owner are the specific issues I will concentrate on as Representative of the 34th Middlesex District. I am strongly in favor of all matters that will be beneficial to the taxpayer and wage earner in my district, which has been my proud record for the past nine years while in the service of the Woburn City Council.

ROBERT A. VIGNEAU
5 Elm Avenue, Burlington
Occupation: Accountant
Party: Democrat.

of Historical significance. Development of local assets for tourist attraction. A more equitable distribution of state funds to our area.

CHARLES H BLACK
Church Street, Wilmington
Occupation: Insurance
Party: Republican

1 (a) The two offices should be elected on the same ticket. This would ensure more harmony in state government.

(b) It is too early to take a stand on this subject. One would have to judge by the proposals made.

(c) In my thirty six years in town government in Wilmington I have always felt strongly that the towns and cities should have as much home rule as possible.

(d) It would be easy to answer with an affirmative, but there is much more involved. Industrial development is important for this Commonwealth, but again, one has to know just what is involved before agreeing.

2. First of all we must face up to our responsibilities. We must acknowledge the need for new revenue sources, and recognize that the tax burden on the home owner grows heavier each year, and that this includes the family that rents its home. An entire reform of the state's tax structure seems advisable.

The Commonwealth should publish one, and one only, financial statement each year. As things are the tax payer is confused by supplementary statements. There should be a single comprehensive statement, and a single comprehensive budget.

3. I am much concerned at the seeming callous attitude on the part of many officials regarding bond issues. Millions of dollars are spent annually, voted by people who will ask the future generations to pay. This is not a sound practice, and the Commonwealth is getting deeper and deeper into debt.

I am also concerned at the increasing costs of school construction. Everyone favors education for the younger generation, but there is a limit to the capital expenditures involved.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR LAWRENCE LAWSON

Lawrence F. Lawson, 85, of 126 Wilmington Rd., Burlington, died on August 20 in Billerica after a short illness. Born in Sweden, Mr Lawson had been a resident of Burlington for many years. He worked as a carpenter for the Town of Burlington before his retirement 15 years ago.

The husband of the late Rachel M. (Arthurs), Mr. Lawson is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Blanch Hobart of Burlington and Mrs. Esther Anderson of Winchester; a son, Frederick L. Lawson, Sr. of Billerica; eight grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the Nichols Funeral Home on Monday, with the Rev. Terry C. Thomason officiating. Burial followed in Chestnut Hill Cemetery, Burlington.

Pall Bearers were Al McGuinness, Russell Bates, Arthur Lloyd, Kenneth Hobart, Fred Lawson, Fred Anderson and Max Johnson.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING 57-64

A public hearing will be held in the Town Hall at 8 pm Sept. 15, 1964 on the application of Ernest and Dora Ardolino, Broad Street, to create a building lot and obtain a permit to build thereon, on Broad Street, by combining lots 1056 1055, 1054 and the northerly quarter of lot 1053.

Louis E Gage, Chmn.
A27, S3 Board of Appeals

PUBLIC HEARING 58-64

A public hearing will be held in the Town Hall at 8 pm Sept. 15, 1964, on the application of Carl W and Jane M Soule for a variance at 42 North Street in side yard and front yard requirements, to allow them to build a garage at their home.

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FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JOSEPH BABINE

Joseph W. Babine, 66, of 14 Parker Street, died on Thursday, August 20 at St. John's Hospital in Lowell. A native of Wilmington, he was the son of the late Lawrence A. and the late Rose Ann (Surette) Babine.

He was the owner of Babine's Lunch in the Square where he had worked for over 30 years.

Besides his wife, Mary Hermline, Mr. Babine is survived by two sons, Stephen L. and David W.; one daughter Ellen Marie Babine; and a sister, Miss Helena Babine, all of Wilmington.

The funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh and Son Funeral Home on Monday, followed by a Solemn High Mass of Requiem at St. Thomas Church at 10am. The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Francis Mackin; the Rev. Paul Berube served as Deacon and the Rev. George Sullivan as Sub Deacon.

Burial followed in the family lot in Wildwood Cemetery with Father Mackin offering the committal prayers.

Paul Bearers for Mr. Babine were George Foley Jr., Robert Foley, William Nee, John Connell, Richard Dingle and George Saulnier.

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN



BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A special Town Meeting is to be called by the Board of Selectmen for early in October, the date of which will be set in the near future.

Articles to be included in the warrant should be in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Selectmen by 4:30 pm September 8, 1964.

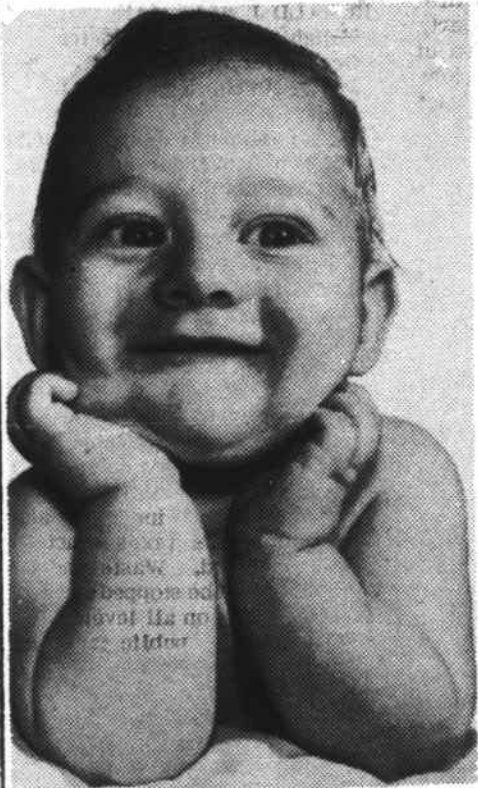
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CONSTANCE TURLO IS BRIDE
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In a double ring service at St. John the Baptist Church in Peabody on Sunday, August 9, Miss Constance Yvonne Turlo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Turlo of Hamilton, formerly of Peabody, became the bride of Philip R. Goldsworthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Goldsworthy of 119 Church Street.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Joseph Turlo. She wore a floor length gown of peau de sole with imported alencon lace bodice. Over her full cathedral train fell a veil of silk illusion

caught to a crown. She carried a cascade of Eucharist lilies and stephanotis.

Mrs. Louis Turlo, sister-in-law of the bride was Matron of Honor. She wore pink taffeta, empire style, short gown with headress to match.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. James Nally, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. James Caccivio, both of Peabody. They wore green taffeta empire style gowns with matching head-dresses and carried cascades of pink roses.

The mother of the bride wore a pale blue gown of insterion lace with hat and shoes to match and white accessories. The mother of the groom wore a gown of

dusty rose organza over taffeta with lace bodice and shoes and hat to match and white accessories.

Mr. Donald Goldsworthy of Framington acted as best man for his brother. The ushers were Mr. Robert Boucher of Medford and Mr. Donald Kimball of Malden.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Village Barn at the Village Green in Danvers. Mrs. Gustaf Swaczyk was in charge of the guest book.

After the reception, the couple left on a wedding trip to upper New York State and Canada. The bride's going-away outfit was a green pure silk suit with paisley blouse and hat to match. Her accessories were beige lizard shoes and bag.

Mrs. Turlo graduated from Salem State College in 1957 and is a teacher in the Beverly High School. Mr. Goldsworthy graduated from Wilmington High School in 1954 and served two years with the U.S. Army in Germany. He is now employed as a salesman at Al Luneau Chevrolet in Lowell.

The Goldsworthys are making their home in Wakefield.

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EARLY FAIR PLANNED BY WILMINGTON GRANGE

The annual Wilmington Grange Fair is to be held early this year. It is to take place on Friday Aug. 28th and Saturday August 29th., instead of in September.

10 pm, with a 99¢ supper on Saturday evening, and ending with an auction.

All planning to attend the supper must make reservations. These can be made by calling 658-8064 or 658-4414

All articles for the exhibitions which are to be judged should be in by 1 pm Friday. Anyone wishing to donate any hand made articles or novelties, cooked food, etc should contact the Grange Master, Robert Howard, at 8-8064, or any Grange member. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

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